

Penney Memorial Church
Penney Farms, Florida
The Worship of God
The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

10:30 am

Due to pandemic precautions, the congregation is asked not to sing the hymns, but to read the words while the two designated singers sing.

**Please stand if you are able*

ORGAN PRELUDE “He Leadeth Me” arr. A. Whitworth

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN OF PRAISE #72** “To God Be the Glory” (vv 1 & 3) Fanny J. Crosby

***PRAYER of INVOCATION**

***THE LORD’S PRAYER** (“debts”)

***GLORIA PATRI #805**

SPECIAL MUSIC “Be Thou My Vision (Lord of All Hopefulness)”
arr. Cathy Moglebust
The Handbell Choir, Jennifer Goodwin, Directing

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERINGS IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

Gratitude for generosity

Organ Offertory “Showers of Blessing” arr. J. Conely

***Doxology #808**

***Prayer of Dedication**

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT Portions of John 3

SERMON “Tiger Fighting” Merlin Conrad

***HYMN #330** “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want” (vv 1 & 5)
Psalm 23 and William Whittingham

***BENEDICTION**

ORGAN POSTLUDE “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” arr. A. L. Page

Serving this Week

Merlin Conrad, Preacher

Steve Vander Kamp, Liturgist

Larry Verlander, Organist

Special Music: **PMC's Handbell Choir, Jennifer Goodwin**, Director

Merlin Conrad, our preacher today, grew up in Ohio in a family of Swiss American cheesemakers (father and grandfather). He was baptized in a German Reform church which later (through mergers) became the United Church of Christ. After one year of high school teaching and coaching, he attended Lancaster Seminary, graduating in 1961. He later received a D. Min from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 1975. After serving four congregations and six interims, he returned to full time ministry as the Chaplain at Westminster Woods at Julington Creek, retiring after 6 years in 2019. Merlin and his wife **Maureen** moved to PRC in April, 2020, and are delighted to live at 3510 Dwight Street.

Steve Vander Kamp, our liturgist this morning, was born in Grand Rapids, MI and married his high school sweetheart, **Joyce**. 51 years ago. They have four children and four grandchildren. Both Steve and Joyce were raised in the Christian Reformed Church. They connected their hearts to their heads when they experienced a Cursillo Weekend at age 33. Spiritually, they have never looked back and continually look to Him for their daily sustenance. He has not failed. Steve served in many leadership positions: elder, Christian School President, Cursillo Board; teacher/facilitator for organizations growing in leadership.

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Serving Next Week

(May 9, 2021 – Mother's Day!)

Joy Carol (Preacher)

Linda Ashley (Liturgist)

Larry Verlander (Organist)

Special Music:

Shirley Gaver and **Marai Yaw** (recorder)

Tim Boyle (guitar), and **Nancy Moore** (soloist)

CHURCH NEWS

This Week at PMC

(See the listing below for all the possible venues and their links.)
ALL PROGRAMS & MEETINGS ARE ACCESSIBLE ON THE VIRTUAL
VENUES UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED WITH “NO” IN THE LAST COLUMN:

DAY, DATE, & TIME	PROGRAM/ MEETING	PREACHER / LITURGIST/ LEADER	PHYSICAL VENUE	ALL VIRTUAL VENUES
SUN. MAY 2 8:45-9:45 am	DIALOGUE CLASS	VARIES	BARROWS HALL	YES
SUN. MAY 2 8:45-9:45 am	ACTS 29 CLASS	VARIES	COMMONS CLASSROOM	NO
SUN. MAY 2	PHILATHEA CLASS	VARIES	HOME GROUPS	NO
SUN. MAY 2 10:30 am	SUNDAY MORNING WOR- SHIP	MERLIN CONRAD/ STEVE VANDER KAMP	SANCTUARY	YES
TUE. MAY 4 4:00 pm	“IN CONVERSATION WITH GEORGE HULL”	JOY CAROL		YES
WED. MAY 5 9:00 am	PASTORAL CARE TRAIN- ING	GEORGE HULL	FELLOWSHIP ROOM	NO
WED. MAY 5 1:30 pm	HANDBELLS PRACTICE	JENNIFER GOOD- WIN	FELLOWSHIP ROOM	NO
THU. MAY 6 9:00 am	PASTORAL CARE TRAINING	GEORGE HULL	FELLOWSHIP ROOM	NO
THU. MAY 6 4:00 pm	“IN CONVERSATION WITH GEORGE HULL”	JOY CAROL		YES
FRI. MAY 7 9:00 am	INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP	BRUCE BERRY	FELLOWSHIP ROOM	NO
SUN. MAY 9 10:30 am	SUNDAY MORNING WOR- SHIP	JOY CAROL/LINDA ASHLEY	SANCTUARY	YES

From Church Moderator:

Please sign up in the Hub if you wish to attend worship in person on Sunday. Please do not sign up more than once a month so that all who wish will be able to attend. You may sign up on the Wait List in case I get cancellations.

Also, see PMC Connections for April 26th to learn about in-person memorial services in the sanctuary, following the latest guidelines.

Benevolence Committee News

The Benevolence Committee features two missions every month. PMC supports 24 missions every year. The two featured missions for May are:

- **The American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)**, a ministry of the Quakers, advocates for peace and justice in all areas of our society.
AND...
- **The Remember Niger Coalition** mobilizes resources to help build and establish Christian schools in Niger.

In Conversation With this week features Joy Carol interviewing George Hull. The program airs twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:00 pm on Channel 21 of our community's CCTV system. If you miss it then you can also catch it on one of our virtual venues as listed below.

If you have a church-related issue that you'd like to discuss with Martha Gale, the church Moderator, feel free to call her on her cell phone (978.270.1554).

However, if you have a personal need that you'd like to discuss with George Hull, our Minister of Pastoral Care, you may contact him via phone (904.627.4077) or email (george.hull@arumc.org).

Venues and links for accessing programs offered at Penney Memorial Church.

- CHANNEL 21 of our community's closed-circuit TV system
- FACEBOOK LIVE <https://www.facebook.com/PMCPenneyFarmsFlorida/>
 - VIMEO <https://vimeo.com/user110914430>
 - PMC's webpage: <http://Penney.Church>

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